

METHOD AND SYSTEM OF VALUING TRANSFORMATION BETWEEN
EXTENSIBLE MARKUP LANGUAGE (XML) DOCUMENTS

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

5 A method and system of valuing transformation between
XML documents. Specifically, one embodiment of the present
invention discloses a method for calculating a
transformation cost for a transformation operation that
transforms a source node in a source XML document to a
10 target node in a target XML document. A data loss and
potential data loss is measured for the transformation
operation. Also, the operands in the transformation
operation are scaled to measure their impact on the data
loss and potential data loss. A transformation cost is
15 calculated by considering the data loss, potential data
loss, and scaling.